AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

- 1. (Currently amended) A sewing thread <u>comprising a sewing thread</u> containing 30% by weight or more of a poly(trimethylene terephthalate) -based staple fiber, and <u>showing having</u> a breaking elongation of 30 to 100% and an instantaneous elastic recovery at a 5% elongation of 30 to 75%.
 - 2. (Original) The dewing thread according to claim 1, wherein the elastic recovery at a 20% elongation is 60% or more.
 - 3. (Original) A sewing thread according to claim 1, wherein the elastic recovery at a 30% elongation is 60% or more.
 - 4. (Currently amended) [[Sewn]] A sewn fabric articles article comprising a sewn fabric article having sewn seams, wherein the seams of the sewn fabric articles article are formed with the sewing thread according to any one of claims 1 to 3.
 - 5. (Currently amended) The sewn fabric articles article according to claim 4, wherein the sewn fabric articles are article is a stretchable [[ones]] one.